Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the cross reference to related applications with the following:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This invention is related to U.S. Patent Publication 20020067710 titled "Method for Managing Bandwidth in a Packet-Based Communication System" and U.S. Patent No. 6,847,827, titled "Method for Managing Bandwidth in a Packet-Based Communication System Using Call Unit Reservations," assigned to the assignee of the present invention and incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

Please replace the first paragraph on page 3 with the following:

One manner of addressing these needs is described in related U.S. Patent No. 6,847,827, wherein reservations of bandwidth are statically established (i.e., pre-determined) for certain links by a first host device (e.g., zone controller) on behalf of at least a second host device (e.g., base station) that may require use of bandwidth. The reservations of call units are established using standard ReSerVation Setup Protocol (RSVP) signaling, prior to receiving any call requests, using multicast group address(es) that are never used for actual calls. If the zone controller receives a call request, it grants the request if there are sufficient reserved call units to support the call, in which case it forwards a different multicast address (i.e., different from the address(es) used to make the reservations) to participating endpoints and the call may proceed using that multicast address.

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